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QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 067341

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SEVURITY COUNCIL MEETING ON MIDDLE EAST

REF: A) CAIRO 5132; B) STATE 64190

HOLD FOR AMBASSADOR AT OPENING OF BUSINESS

USUN IS REPORTING SEPARATELY ON MARCH 25 SC DEBATE AND
STATUS OF CONSENSUS STATEMENT. PLEASE TELL FAHMY THAT,
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AS USUN WILL BE REPORTING, DRAFT CONSENSUS STATEMENTS
ARE BEING TALKED OF WHICH CONTAIN UNACCEPTABLE SUB-
STANTIVE ELEMENTS. YOU SHOULD STRESS THAT OUR VIEWS
AS TO WHAT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE ELEMENTS IN A STATEMENT
REMAIN UNCHANGED. DRAWING ON ARGUMENTATION IN REFTEL
B, YOU SHOULD INDICATE THAT:

-- WE ARE SERIOUSLY CONCERNED AT THE PROSPECT OF A BITTER FIGHT IN THE SC WHICH WOULD HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE ATMOSPHERE OF THE SADAT VISIT.

-- WE WANT TO AVOID A CHOICE BETWEEN DISPLEASING OUR ARAB FRIENDS AND AN OUTCOME WHICH WOULD LEAD TO DIVISIVE AND HIGHLY CONTENTIOUS CONGRESSIONAL AND PUBLIC REACTION IN THE US ON THE EVE OF THE PRESIDENT'S ARRIVAL.

-- IF FORCED TO THIS CHOICE, HOWEVER, WE WOULD HAVE TO VETO, AS A LESSER OF TWO EVILS, GIVEN THE NEED TO PRESERVE OUR POSITION AS MIDDLEMAN IN THE PEACEMAKING PROCESS.

-- WE ARE NOW EMBARKED IN A NEW, CONSULTATIVE PROCESS WHICH IS DESIGNED TO MOVE THE PEACE PROCESS FORWARD. IN THIS REGARD, EGYPTIANS SHOULD NOT BE HOPEFUL THAT WE MIGHT EVEN AGREE TO SUBSTANTIVE LANGUAGE WHICH USG SPOKESMEN MAY HAVE STATED PUBLICLY IN THE PAST OR WHICH WAS INCLUDED IN EARLIER SC STATEMENTS WE HAVE AGREED TO.

-- THE SITUATION NOW IS DIFFERENT AND WE ARE DETERMINED TO AVOID, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, RHETORIC WHICH MAKES OUR TALKS EVEN MORE DIFFICULT.

-- THUS, WE WILL NOT ACCEPT ELEMENTS IN A STATEMENT WHICH ARE NOT FUNDAMENTALLY RELATED TO THE PEACE PROCESS. IT WILL DO NO GOOD TO DRAW ON LANGUAGE WHICH WE HAVE USED AT OTHER TIMES IN OTHER CONTEXTS. THIS
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INCLUDES REFERENCES TO ISRAELI SETTLEMENTS OR TO A PALESTINIAN HOMELAND WHICH ARE MATTERS TOTALLY OUTSIDE OF THE ISSUES DISCUSSED IN THE SYG'S REPORT.

-- WE HAD DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH FAHMY ON EARLIER OCCASIONS PRECISELY BECAUSE WE WISHED TO AVOID THIS SITUATION. THERE CAN BE NO QUESTION BUT THAT FAHMY HAD ADEQUATE AND PRECISE ADVANCE WARNING AS TO WHAT OUR POSITION WOULD BE.

-- UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE WOULD WELCOME FAHMY'S THOUGHTS AS TO HOW THIS MATTER CAN BE RESOLVED.

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